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Bench Date: 03/11/2015
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: Timothy Duggan, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: February 11, 2015

SUBJECT: Union Pacific Railroad Company,
Petitioner,
v.
City of Springfield and Illinois Department of Transportation,
Respondents.

Petition for an Order granting authority to reconstruct the highway underpass structure that carries Union Pacific Railroad Company's tracks over 9th Street (AAR/DOT #294 291D, railroad milepost 183.69) located on the Springfield Subdivision in the City of Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter Order approving reconstruction of highway underpass structure carrying UP tracks over 9th Street in Springfield.

On April 10, 2014, UP filed the above-captioned verified Petition with the Commission seeking authority to reconstruct the highway underpass structure that carries the UP's tracks over 9th Street in Springfield. Hearing was held on June 17, 2014. It is to be reconstructed consistent with the design plans introduced into evidence, which provide for a clear span bridge which will eliminate the pier in the center of the 9th Street roadway and the piers at the existing curb between the roadway and sidewalks. The new structure will be widened to accommodate planned widening of 9th Street in the future. The reconstruction will provide for use by motorists and pedestrians, as the present underpass does. UP proposes to build a clear span bridge which will eliminate the pier in the center of the 9th Street roadway and the piers at the existing curb between the roadway and sidewalks. The new structure will be widened to accommodate planned widening of 9th Street in the future.

IDOT has agreed to be responsible for all costs of the project. The project is part of IDOT's High Speed Rail Improvement Program (the "Program") from Chicago, Illinois to St. Louis, Missouri. It is anticipated that all work on the project will be completed on or before December 31, 2015.

The City and Staff have no objection. All waived a Proposed Order.

I recommend entry of the attached Order approving the reconstruction.